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Liechtenstein welcomes the distinguished delegation of Uruguay and wishes to thank for the information provided in the introductory statement.

Liechtenstein welcomes the measures taken by Uruguay to combat gender-based violence. Liechtenstein, however, is concerned about the discriminatory provisions in the Criminal Code, including patriarchal concepts which prevent the prosecution of some forms of sexual violence against women. Liechtenstein recommends that Uruguay abolish the provisions in the Criminal Code that incorporate the patriarchal concepts of “honest behaviour”, “virtue” and “public scandal” as elements of the criminal offences that affect women.

Liechtenstein welcomes the steps forward made by Uruguay in ensuring children’s rights. Liechtenstein, however, remains concerned by the high rates of violence against children and the lack of effective measures to prevent child sexual exploitation and abuse. Therefore, Liechtenstein recommends that Uruguay bring its criminal legislation in compliance with the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography as well as implement a regulatory framework to prevent and eliminate child sex tourism. Furthermore, Liechtenstein recommends that Uruguay effectively implement laws prohibiting corporal punishment.